FACT SHEET

Work Notification – Field Activities Update Treasure Island/Yerba Buena Island

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As part of our ongoing environmental program at Treasure Island and Yerba Buena Island, the Navy will be conducting soil removal work in the common areas immediately around vacant Buildings 1246, 1248, 1252, 1254, and 1413. This work will begin in early October and will last about 3 to 4 weeks.

What is the purpose of the soil removals?

Trenching and sampling conducted this summer showed that limited areas of soil in the common areas adjacent to these buildings contain polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs) at Building 1254 and polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs) at Buildings 1246, 1248, 1252 and 1413. These chemicals are generally limited in area and depth and do not present an immediate hazard due to the existing groundcover and paving. However, the Navy has decided to remove these areas of soil in advance of the planned occupancy of these vacant buildings.

Where will the work be conducted?

The Navy will be conducting soil removal work in the common areas at the southwest corner of Building 1254, east central side of Building 1252, between Buildings 1246 and 1248, and the east side of Building 1413. All areas of planned soil removal are shown in the attached figures. Some of the work will be close to the bus stop located at the corner of 13th Street and Gateview Avenue. To minimize disruptions to bus riders, a temporary bus stop will be set up about 200 feet north on Gateview Avenue.

What does the soil removal involve?

The work will be conducted by a crew of 5 to 10 workers who will be using a small front-end loader, backhoe, water truck, and compactor for excavating and loading soil onto trucks. The fieldwork involves the following:

- About 330 cubic yards of soil will be excavated up to a depth of 1 to 4 feet, loaded onto trucks, and transported off site for disposal.
- Trucks transporting soil will be covered, and both haul trucks and construction vehicles will not impede residential traffic other than to enter and exit work areas.
- If necessary, soil will be kept damp or covered during excavation to minimize generation of dust.
- Air will be monitored for dust during excavation.
- Soil samples will be collected from the excavated areas to confirm that cleanup goals have been achieved.
- All excavated areas will be covered with trench plates or secured with temporary fencing until results of confirmation samples are received, usually within 2 to 3 days.
- When the Navy can confirm that cleanup goals have been met, the excavations will be backfilled with clean soil, compacted, and the surface areas restored.

Will therebe any disturbances such as noise, dust, parking restrictions, and extra traffic?

There will be some noise from the equipment being used; however, dust will be strictly controlled. Underground utilities have been marked for the excavation and there are no plans for service interruptions. The streets that front Buildings 1252 and 1254 are thoroughfares and will not be closed during construction. Buildings 1246 and 1248 are located on an unused court, and cars parked under carports in this area will be posted with notices requesting that they be moved at least 3 days before construction begins. Building 1413 provides adequate space for construction traffic.

What are the dates and time for the fieldwork?

Fieldwork will begin in early October 2001, and will be completed by early November 2001. Work will be conducted between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.

Who do I call for more information?

Please call Steve Edde, Navy Environmental Liaison, at (415) 743-4704 or John Baur of International Technology (IT) Corporation at (415) 760-5316 or David Rist of Cal-EPA, DTSC, at (510) 540-3763.







